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Dear Examiner Nguyen:

Thanks for the work done thus far on the application. Once you have had a chance to review this application and if you need to discuss some issues further or require further information from me, please call me and I will make myself available as soon as possible.

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Sir:

This is a response in the above-identified patent application to an Office Action dated 08/11/04, with time for response set to expire on 11/12/04. With this response claim 2 and 7 have been canceled without prejudice and new claims 8-20 have been added. A total of 18 claims remain pending including 3 independent claims.

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended)

A balance board comprising:

a cylindrical roller;

a board member that <u>has a lower surface that</u> sits atop the roller and reciprocatively rides on the roller either along a central longitudinal axis of the board member or along a central latitudinal axis of the board member <u>such that a plurality of discrete opening pairs are</u>

<u>located on the lower surface such that each one of the opening pairs is located equidistant</u>

<u>and on opposite sides of either the central longitudinal axis of the board member or the</u>

<u>central latitudinal axis;</u> and